

Memorandum



City of Tempe

Date: May 8, 2008
To: City Council Members
From: Hugh Hallman
Subject: Ad Hoc Committee--Papago Park and Rio Salado

The recently formed Papago Park Executive Committee, with representatives from Tempe, Phoenix, Scottsdale and the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, is moving forward to formulate the master plan for the restoration, preservation, and improvement of the greater Papago Park area. As integral amenities of Papago Park, Rio Salado and Town Lake, the Eisendrath House, the Carl Hayden Campus for Sustainability and myriad other amenities in Tempe's portion of Papago Park will be essential features of any master plan. Accordingly, critical to the process of formulating a meaningful master plan will be the input of Tempe's residents and the many users and user groups of the greater park area.

To insure that we create the opportunity for robust feedback from Tempe's residents and other interested parties, an Ad Hoc Committee provides a useful forum. I have asked Sharon Doyle to Chair the effort with the intent to include representatives from the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Rio Salado Commission, the Historical Museum Advisory Board, the Historical Preservation Commission, and the North Tempe Neighborhood Homeowner's Association. There may be others that should be added in the future. I look forward to your thoughts on this initiative.